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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Official Action dated March 11, 2004, the applicant hereby requests reconsideration and allowance of the application in view of the following.

Claims 7-12, 15, and 17 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by Narayanan (U.S. 6,593,148). Also, claims 18-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Narayanan et al. in view of Hammock et al. (U.S. 6,395,562).